



# YARRA GLEN Primary School

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weeks

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## WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3

Welcome back to Term 3. It has been a bitterly cold week with the first sign of sun today. We have had another great start to the term with many quality learning activities planned this term. Across the school, our inquiry topic will be - all things SCIENCE! There are some wonderful excursions planned for all students this term. Term 3 is a terrific term for excursions and everyone is looking forward to participating in them. Each of the excursions link to our inquiry topic. The older students will also complete a small unit on the upcoming Olympics. We will also be running PERRI club this term. PERRI Club involves multi-age from Prep- Grade 6 students all working together as a team. Our focus will be health and well being and skipping skills with a Skipathon on the last day of term 3. The Grade 6 students take on a leadership role and organise PERRI Club activities each week with the guidance of the teaching staff.

Our PERRI focus this term begins with the value of RESPECT. Respect for each other, for our environment, for our classroom and school and for our belongings and others belongings. Our PERRI challenge will be all about Respect!

## 3 WAY CONFERENCES—20th July

Next Wednesday, as you will already know is one of our Department of Education allocated Curriculum Days.

Our 3 Way Conferences will take place on this day. Students do not attend school but are expected to attend the interview/conference at the allocated time with their parents and teacher. This gives our students the opportunity to showcase their learning and also makes them responsible and accountable when setting future learning goals. The term we use for these interviews are 3 WAY Conferences as it involves, the student, teacher and parents/carers. If you have an issue that you feel you need to discuss with your child's class teacher without your child present, there may be a short time at the end of the conference where this can take place or an alternative time will need to be made. We are looking forward to our 3 Way Conferences as they have proven to be a very positive step in our students' learning and communication with parents re their child's progress. Please contact me or your child's class teacher if you have any questions about this process.

## ELECTION BARBECUE

Many thank go to our fundraising team for their excellent efforts with our election BBQ. We raised some more funds to go towards our block out blinds to cool our BER in those hot summer months. A special thank you goes to Ann Stray and Jessie Clissold for their organisation and tireless efforts in fundraising for our school.

MAKE EVERY DAY COUNT BY BEING AT SCHOOL EVERY DAY AND BEING ON TIME.  
DON'T MISS OUT ON YOUR LEARNING.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Stay safe and happy,  
Kind Regards

Sue Di Giacomo



Persistence  
Encouragement  
Resilience  
Respect  
Inclusiveness

## Calendar

Interscholar Sports At home	15/7
Edendale Farm Groups 4 & 5	19/7
3 Way Conferences Pupil Free Day	20/7
Story Time	3/8
P-2 Excursion Aquarium	19/8
Literacy & Numeracy Week	22—26/8

# Our Orangutan Project

Have you heard the news? We are adopting an orangutan! We need to raise \$300. We are going to have a free dress day on the 27<sup>th</sup> July. If everyone could donate \$2 we will reach our goal! Could everyone please remember to dress in any way imaginable and bring \$2! By Violet, Jack and the S.R.C.



## Mindfulness Club - Schedule

Commencing Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> July, Ms. Lyons will be running a **Mindfulness Club**. Mindful awareness exercises help children develop concentration and self-awareness.

**When:** each Tuesday (first half of lunch play)

**Where:** BER Building

**Time:** 11:15am – 11:40am



All students (and teachers) are welcome to join in.

Activities will include, yoga, meditation, relaxation, drawing and colouring in.

Date	Activity
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Colouring In - Mindfulness Pages
26 <sup>th</sup> July	Yoga session – Cosmic Kids Yoga Adventure! <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YR1OxBk8BF4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YR1OxBk8BF4</a>
2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Meditation session – Smiling Mind
9 <sup>th</sup> August	Counting Sounds: A Mindful Walking Practice
16 <sup>th</sup> August	'Trying on Different Shapes' activity
23 <sup>rd</sup> August	'Relaxed Abdominal Breathing' session
30 <sup>th</sup> August	Body Scan: Awareness of the Body
6 <sup>th</sup> September	Free-hand drawing w/ Background Meditation

### HOW TO TALK SO KIDS WILL LISTEN AND LISTEN SO KIDS WILL TALK.

Anglicare are running a new parenting group starting up at Badger Creek which is free of charge and goes for 6 weeks. If you would like more information please check the notice board outside the office.